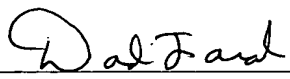


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/US03/24625		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/522655 To be assigned
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 06 August 2003		PRIORITY DATE 06 August 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION SUBSTANCES FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US ESCHER, Alan P. and LI, Fengchun		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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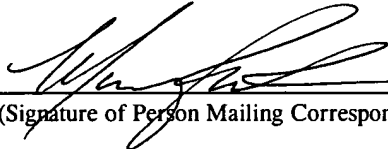
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